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THE FIGHTING EDITOR

If ever a man deserves his title it is Colonel J. West Goodwin of Sedalia, "Missouri's Fighting Editor."

Eighty years young and in the sixty-sixth year of his journalistic career, he still wields his editorial pen with undiminished force.

In the pages of the Bazoo Monthly Magazine, the colonel still fights in the winning struggle begun half a century ago—for prohibition. When John Barleycorn first bubbled up in Missouri he found himself face to face with the fighting editor, and that southern gentleman of the old school has been on his trail with pointed pen ever since.

In the days of the whisky riots, Colonel Goodwin backed up his convictions with a derringer and, during the Civil War, with a bayonet, but in these peaceful times in Missouri the point of his pen is no less sharp and convincing than that of the more warlike weapon. One issue won, he soon finds another.

Colonel Goodwin is now vigorously advocating the establishment of statewide commission form of municipal government and is endeavoring to have placed in the new State Constitution a clause embodying this plan.

J. West Goodwin bows before no adversary but Father Time, and when that venerable bearer of the hourglass pays his last visit he will find the fighting editor—still fighting.

CANADA—ITS MAN-POWER

Canada is invoicing. The twelve directors of national service of the provinces have reached a decision to make a survey of the man-power of the country. This decision came after a conference with Director-General Sir Thomas Tait. The inventory is to determine the man-power remaining in the country and its possibilities in being utilized for national service and economic needs. The director of each district is to release from enlistment men needed in economic service and give them a badge of service. Men are also to be released from military service to go into the field of the factory.

And the women are to be utilized. Plans are being made for a survey of Canada's woman-power. Where women can take the places of men, they will be used.

This is not all new to the world. For years Germany has been in the possession of a card catalogue of its population. When the able-bodied men dropped their tools and plows to step into the ranks of war, less physically fit Germans stepped into the industrial vacancies, and the work of the country continued.

Invoicing is one form of preparedness and a most essential form. Men may be trained in the art—if it is an art—of war, but armies alone do not win conflicts. The background is formed by the left-behinds, who are producing and toiling so that they themselves may exist and that the army may be sufficiently provided for in food and clothing.

THE OPEN COLUMN

A public forum for the discussion of things worth-while. Articles should be short and signed by the writer, as proof to the editor of good faith. Signatures will not necessarily be published.

The Carnegie Library.

Editor the Missouriian: For more than two years citizens have been striving for a Carnegie library. Yet they are still far from reaching it. Other towns have succeeded. Why not Columbia?

The University Library cannot hope to fill the needs of townspeople. School children, too, should have special reading matter which only a public library can provide. The mothers' clubs and other organizations have collected some books at the courthouse, available on some days. While the collection is small in comparison with what it should be, it illustrates the effort

which have been made by the mothers of Columbia.

Mr. Carnegie is waiting to help. He will provide the building and perhaps contribute books. Townspeople must do the rest. When that is waiting, it seems astonishing that other improvements should be advocated and obtained before the library is assured. Subscription is used for these other public improvements. It should work equally well for this. The levying of a small tax would provide for the upkeep of an institution ranking with that of other places.

The mothers have proved their willingness to aid. Mr. Carnegie, too, wants to hear the decision. It is for you, Mr. Money Holder, to show your interest.

C. S.

Ain't It Awful, Nabli!

Editor the Missouriian: There with a young man from the farm Who thought he could do little harm Though he thript all the grath— Now hith yard ith all path, And he can't find hith way to hith barn.

The Missouri Spirit.

Editor the Missouriian: Two extracts from your paper dated December 14 may look well together in this column and may prove interesting to your readers.

"The Missouri spirit, which has been the object of admiration and favorable comment throughout the West, last night crystallized into tributes and oratory at the banquet . . ."

"The fruit judging team of the College of Agriculture withdrew from competition for the Missouri Valley championship at Des Moines yesterday when Ames refused to withdraw William Cain, a negro, from the team."

C.

THE NEW BOOKS

In the National Social Science series, Henry C. Wright discusses "The American City." Beginning with an examination of the purpose of the city and the reasons which govern its location, the author proceeds to the study of how it is governed and financed, how it takes care of the property, life and health of its citizens and provides for the education and instruction of the children.

(A. C. McClurg & Co., Chicago; cloth, 178 pages; 50 cents.)

"Prudence Says So."

The readers of the charming novel, "Prudence of the Parsonage," by Ethel Hueston, will be delighted to have the author's newest volume, "Prudence Says So." It is a wholesome story of small-town life. Prudence, a lovable character, and the twins with their accustomed pranks make a volume without a single dull page.

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"Makers of South America."

"Makers of South America," by Margarette Daniels, contains biographies of twelve great South American

THE LADIES of the Episcopal Church will give a ***-CHRISTMAS BAZAR-** at the home of Mrs. E. A. Logan, 507 Rollins St., Tuesday Afternoon, Dec. 19, from 4 to 10 p. m. There will be on sale Candy, Aprons, Fancy Articles and "Grab" Bags. Supper served at 6 o'clock

BROADWAY ODEON

WEEKLY PROGRAM

Tonight

"LIBERTY," Marie Walcamp, Eddie Polo and Jack Holt. Also "CONSPIRACY" featuring Harry D. Carey and Edith Johnson.

Tuesday

Carter DeHaven in "FAME AT LAST."

Wednesday

Billy Burke in "GLORIA'S ROMANCE." Also a 5-act Red Feather feature, Violet Mesereau in "THE NARROW PATH."

Thursday

Jackie Saunders in "THE GRIP OF EVIL." Also Ben Williams in "SOCIETY HYPOCRITES."

Friday

Lucile Hutton in "A RURAL ROMANCE."

Saturday

Murdock McQuarrie in "THE NARROW CREED." Also Windsor McKay and his Jersey skaters.

leaders, a bibliography of South America, and a clear and complete map of Latin-America. The twelve men are those who have done big things for the countries beyond Panama, men with whom North Americans should be acquainted, whether patriots like San Martin or a rascals like Pizarro, loved by their countrymen like Bolivar or hated like Rosas, brilliant successes like Grubb or failures like Gardiner. All had their share in the making of the continent. (Missionary Education Movement, New York City; cloth, 247 pages, illustrated.)

GRAIN SPECIALISTS TO SPEAK

Two Noted Corn Producers Will Be Here Farmers' Week.

Two noted specialists in corn growing, Fred C. Palin of Newton, Ind., and Harvey J. Sconce of Sidel, Ill., will speak here Wednesday afternoon of Farmers' Week.

Mr. Palin is a former president of the Illinois Corn Growers' Association and in 1911 grew the best individual ear of corn in the world. Mr. Sconce is a former president of the Indiana Corn Growers' Association. He will speak on "How My Farm is Producing Better Grain."

The office force of the Missouri Corn Growers' Association is now busy selecting the prize winners in the corn contests in Missouri. All the prizes will be announced Farmers' Week.

AWARDS HOUSEKEEPING PRIZES

Stephens College Rewards Six Girls For Their Well-Kept Rooms.

In the housekeeping contest held by the girls of Stephens College, a large leather Stephens shield was awarded for the best-kept room on each of the three floors. The prizes were awarded as follows: first floor, Miss Mary-kate Boyd of Huntsville, and Miss Winona Taylor of Lutesville; second floor, Misses Mildred and Marian Clatterbuck of New Bloomfield; third floor, Miss Jessie Adams of Odessa and Miss Golden Lynch of Marshall.

The rooms were graded by a dormitory supervisor every day, and the room with the highest average won. A contest for the second part of the year will begin after the holidays.

COULDN'T SOLVE THE SWEDISH

Bosworth Sentinel Falls to Comprehend Bob's Foreign Write-Ups.

"The pictures of Bob Simpson and the other members of the team were printed in English but the write-ups were in a language in which there were so many 'g's' and various combinations of 'sens' that we failed to get even the drift of the meaning," was the frank confession of the Bosworth Sentinel after scanning several Scandinavian newspapers printed at the time of the games at Stockholm and Christiana, where Bob Simpson of Bosworth captured fifteen cups and medals in competition with the world.

"How to Can Fruit," By a Man.

For a man to show women how to can fruit is rather unusual, but that is what George W. Reavis of the College of Agriculture faculty did yesterday at Mound City. He explained the cold pack method of canning fruit to about one hundred Holt County teachers. The teachers will organize canning clubs among the girls in their schools.

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